



Morgantown Police Department

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“UPDATE”

Following a series of reported armed robberies and burglaries, officers and detectives of the Morgantown Police Department were able to effect arrests over the past 24 hours for a group of individuals that were responsible for the following incidents:

From the period of November 1, 2014 and December 8 2014, Officers and Detectives have been investigating a series of 5 armed robberies and 7 Burglaries that have occurred in the Morgantown area.

Search warrants have been served at a number of locations which have resulted in the recovery of stolen property as well as evidence linking the suspects to the crimes:

Darrell STROZIER, 20 years of age of Morgantown has been arrested without incident and charged with 3 counts of First Degree Robbery and 2 counts of Burglary. STROZIER was held pending arraignment on December 9, 2014.

Christopher BROWN, 24 years of age of Morgantown has been arrested without incident and charged with receiving stolen goods. BROWN was held pending arraignment on December 9, 2014.

Deven PATRICK, 24 years of age of Morgantown has been arrested without incident and charged with Carrying a Deadly Weapon and Person Prohibited from Possessing a Firearm. PATRICK was held pending arraignment on December 9, 2014.

Matthew Lee FARMER, 23 years of age of Morgantown was arrested without incident by Officers of the Morgantown Police Department, Deputies of the Monongalia County Sheriff's Office and members of the U.S. Marhsall's Mountain State Fugitive Task Force when he entered the Circle K Convenience Store on Dorsey Avenue. FARMER is charged with 5 counts of Armed Robbery and 7 counts of Burglary and was held pending arraignment.

The Morgantown Police Department is committed to its goal of eliminating criminal activity in our city. Citizens are encouraged to become a **“Partner in Policing”**, by reporting suspected criminal activity to Morgantown Police Department Switchboard at (304) 284-7522. If you need immediate Police attention or a crime is in progress call 911.

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